Reduce Bluegill Bag Limit On Otter Lake of Chippewa County

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Whereas, Otter Lake in Chippewa County is one of the more heavily fished lakes in West Central Wisconsin, especially for pan fish (bluegill, pumpkinseed, yellow perch, white & black crappie).

Whereas, Otter Lake is subjected to extreme fishing pressure year around and with the current daily pan fish bag limit rule in effect, it is felt that a decline in population and size of bluegills remains inevitable.

Whereas, the quantity and size of bluegills caught throughout the past couple years has shown a significant decline.

Whereas, currently the daily bag limit for pan fish is set at 25 regardless of specie with the possession limit of two times the daily bag limit.

Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Conservation Congress at its annual meeting held in Chippewa County on April 8, 2013 recommends that the Conservation Congress work with the Department of Natural Resources to establish a daily bag limit of 25 pan fish to include no more than 10 bluegill on Otter Lake in Chippewa County.

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